from ameliaj to everyone: 5:48 PM

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from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 5:49 PM

I can't access poll

from Tom G to everyone: 5:53 PM

Slides aren't changing in my phone. Just me?

from Emily Pinneo to everyone: 5:53 PM

The preservation of trees and forest is another important priority

from Jeff Watling to everyone: 5:54 PM

Agreed Emily - Thank you

from Thomas Rush (Staff) to everyone: 5:54 PM

hl everyone, the slides on your phone will move forward as we get to the next poll question

from Tom G to everyone: 5:56 PM

Not able to follow on my phone without the slides changing

from Mark Matthews to everyone: 5:57 PM

Wildlife, the park is often visited by deer, coyote and bobcats

from ameliaj to everyone: 5:57 PM

Tom, the slides should be visible on the WebEx screen.

from Tom G to everyone: 5:57 PM

Good now. Thx

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 5:58 PM 40ft buffer from houses or property lines?

from ameliaj to everyone: 5:58 PM Nicole, the buffer is from property lines.

from Jeff Watling to everyone: 5:59 PM

property lines

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 5:59 PM

Thank you

from Emily Pinneo to everyone: 6:00 PM

Are you planning on removing trees or including parking?

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:00 PM

Preserving large trees and removing invasive ivy/blackberry is a suggestion from my teen who is

watching.

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:00 PM

What about keeping the baseball field? That is well loved. There are very few areas available without

reservations

from Tom G to everyone: 6:01 PM

Keeping it as a walk-in park is critical for me

from Janet Pinneo to everyone: 6:01 PM

There are a lot of invasive species...

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:01 PM Agreed. Walk-in is a critical component

from Mayor MaryLou Pauly to everyone: 6:01 PM

You can also just type "question" and ask your question after unmuting as well.

from Nathan to everyone: 6:02 PM

Are there any plans to adjust the trail off of Mt kenya

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:03 PM We have two kids who are participating

from Sarah to everyone: 6:03 PM

Hi some concerns about privacy of neighboring yards and proximity of play area to house/yards

from Trillium Magus to everyone: 6:03 PM

yeah samefrom

Mark Matthews to everyone: 6:04 PM

Keep the big rock, 3 generations have loved sitting there for over 45 years

from Janet Pinneo to everyone: 6:04 PM

What about the cemetery? Will they be expanding or clearing the forest up to the west side?

from Nathan to everyone: 6:04 PM Improvement where it meets the street

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:04 PM

Agreed with privacy comment.

from Dan (privately): 6:04 PM

I see this as incremental enhancements, the play structure and drainage as the first stage. Then we may be able to incorporate other elements down the line. I would also like to consider "adding" trees to the area as well. For example, it would be great to plant some Japanese Maples or something that will thrive and add additional beauty to the park.

from Janet Pinneo to everyone: 6:05 PM

Great news about cemetery!

from RyanO (privately): 6:05 PM

improved trails would be great they really open up neighborhood walking

from Eric Burniston (privately): 6:05 PM

where is the playground going to be? it seems unclear

from Trillium Magus to everyone: 6:06 PM

There has been a lot of work done on the trail to the lower cemetery. Has it been the city?

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:06 PM

IMHO. there really could be a great viewpoint on the NE part of the cemertery looking down to

town....a rtail would work there too

from Cory Christensen (privately): 6:06 PM

How do you get to "everyone"

from Dan (privately): 6:07 PM

Regarding trail maintenance, I heard it was kids. Great COVID activities! Kudos to them.

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:08 PM

Plot A is way too close to homes. How can you plan on this location in relation to water drainage and

sewer location. The noise would be way too much for neighbors.

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:09 PM

Site C has a huge patch of Trillium in the Spring and I think that should be considered. We (family of five,

three participating tonight) vote B to help keep the forest intact.

from Tasha Davy (privately): 6:09 PM

I have a four year old daughter as well as a baby. We visit this park almost everyday. These trees are

important to us as is the big rock which we call Waka.

from Sylvia Greve to everyone: 6:09 PM

plot A is right up against peoples back yard, seems way to close

from CallasA (privately): 6:09 PM

A is way too close to homes!

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:09 PM

C is not an option ...that clearing area on the down slope fringe is very special and unique.....Hard No. It can be enhanced for low impact play/gathering but you would waste a special area.

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:10 PM

Agreed Sylvia.

from Jessica Johnson (privately): 6:10 PM

My kids have come across evidence of drug use (!) in the forest, I'd be concerned about that with option

C

from mfpalo (privately): 6:10 PM

Jennifer, I only have you as a choice, do not have everyone.

from Sarah to everyone: 6:11 PM

I agree w Sylvia - I think B would be better too

from Trillium Magus to everyone: 6:11 PM

I will say that many species of Trillium flowers are endangered and site C is in one of the few places I

know them to bloom in large quantities

from Sally B (privately): 6:12 PM

I vote B, too!

to mfpalo (privately): 6:12 PM

Please feel free to type in your comment and we can read it

from Trillium Magus to everyone: 6:12 PM

I have really never seen them bloom anywhere else

from ameliaj to everyone: 6:13 PM

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from Lisa P (privately): 6:13 PM

If quiet spaces and gathering areas are in the A area, that wouldn't be too terrible as far as the noise

factor ...homes close

from CallasA (privately): 6:14 PM

How can I change the chat so it is to "everyone"?

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:14 PM

The Woods below the park level fringe is a temple - you can enhance it, but don't mess with it much..no

cheesy structures

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:14 PM

I woud like to leave it alone!

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:14 PM

I left and rejoined to fix it.

from Sally B (privately): 6:15 PM

same issue exactly

from RyanO (privately): 6:15 PM agrred only two people to chat with

from Mayor MaryLou Pauly to everyone: 6:15 PM

Jen can cut and paste from her account and put in the "everyone" chat

from Sylvia Greve to everyone: 6:16 PM

I'm unable to enter the poll, is there a w y to add here?

from Mary Rogers (privately): 6:16 PM what abot houses to the east/

from Cory Christensen (privately): 6:16 PM

Question: In 2014, fixing the drainage issue was a top "play" issue, because parents said their children

end up in the muck. Are you going to address that critical issue?

from Connie (privately): 6:16 PM

Sharing with others is important. So far no one has shared any of it.

from Scott MacInnes (privately): 6:16 PM

learning options - wildlife and botanical ecosystem of the local forest would be awesome for kids and

young adults

from RyanO (privately): 6:16 PM

site c concern- cannot see the field from there could be hard to managevtwo kids in different spees

from Dan (privately): 6:17 PM

@everyone - Test

from ameliaj to everyone: 6:17 PM

Sylvia, have you tried this link? www.menti.com

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from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:17 PM Has this pay ground already been decided?

from cynthia gotuzzo (privately): 6:17 PM

adventure play perch gather zip

from Mayor MaryLou Pauly to everyone: 6:18 PM

Everyone, I need to leave but wanted to say thank you for you all attending.

from Sylvia Greve to everyone: 6:19 PM

Thank you Amelliaj!

from CallasA (privately): 6:20 PM

Why was the name changed of our Park changed to "Hill Top Park". Why was it renamed after the cemetery? The true name of the park Is Mountaineer Park, same name as our beloved neigborhood.

from Tola Marts (privately): 6:20 PM Are the natural materials as durable?

from CallasA (privately): 6:21 PM

Our poor peaceful park...

from ameliaj to everyone: 6:21 PM

Here is the link again for anyone who needs it: www.menti.com

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from Jessica Johnson (privately): 6:21 PM

My son says "go big or go home" :)

from ameliaj to everyone: 6:22 PM A strong showing for big boulders tonight!

February 24, 2021 6:22 PM from Helen Cheney (privately): How about no

playground....leave it a natural setting

from Lisa P (privately): 6:22 PM

D, H and L are my favorites on this slide...would like to see gathering areas expanded at the McKinley

area entrance

from Alicia D to everyone: 6:22 PM

Question: Is yearly maintenance and repair factored into the budget? I'd opt for a less grand structure if

it will be more likely to be maintained.

from RyanO (privately): 6:22 PM

the church down the hill has some great examples on their playground

from Tom G to everyone: 6:23 PM

My 9 year old loves the look of the medium log example

from Trillium Magus to everyone: 6:23 PM

personally I could see ropes op there but not other non natural materials.

from Christian Runge to everyone: 6:24 PM Thanks for the comments young people!

from Jeff Watling to everyone: 6:25 PM

Thanks Alicia - Yes, maintenance will be another important factor in determing scale/size of the

potential play space

from ameliaj to everyone: 6:25 PM

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from Eric Burniston (privately): 6:25 PM

Hi Jennifer, I cannot send a message to everyone. I dropped and rejoined the meeting, but the option is still not there. I asked earlier if a more current study, not one from 2014, had validated the desire for this type of park. There is already a play area at Tibbets, with parking. This is pretty close by. I'm concerned that this might not be used to the detriment of the people who regularly use the park for other purposes.

from Lisa P (privately): 6:26 PM

safety is key...with kids crawling over and around things, wouldn't the city be concerned about keeping

any structure safe for all

from Dan (privately): 6:26 PM

These are all great ideas ... For materials, I would just consider the maintenance. Anything you build with should be able to survive a few wet seasons on Squak without deteriorating.

from CallasA (privately): 6:26 PM Why do we have develop this park???

from CallasA (privately): 6:26 PM

It's so beautiful naturally.

from Mary Rogers (privately): 6:27 PM

i cant get on this chat. there hasnt been a chance to talk

from Cory Christensen (privately): 6:27 PM Hi Thomas...I don't see my question posted yet?

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:27 PM

I hate to be the human to bring this up, but this area being so out of the way and "hidden" is a prime place for vandalism so I think that should be taken into account when planning (ie, the forest swing that was damaged again and again)

from Connie (privately): 6:28 PM

Overkill peeps...nothing this fancy is necessary.

from Jeff Watling to everyone: 6:28 PM

If having a hard time connecting with the menti-meter or for neighbors not able to attend tonight - These survey questions will all be incorporated into the online survey that will be posted later this week with the recording of this meeting.

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:29 PM

Seating that drains / dries quickly

from Connie (privately): 6:29 PM Check Blackberry park slide on seating.

from CallasA (privately): 6:29 PM

Why do we need art??? Are you kidding me!!!

from CallasA (privately): 6:30 PM

This is a small space!!!

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:31 PM

Isn't there a better way to spend our money? Leave it natural and let people enjoy the open setting without all this hype.

from Tom G to everyone: 6:31 PM Sculptural, natural (not murals)

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:32 PM

Teen son would like to suggest any kind of seating that's covered, for the VERY long rainy season to meet up with friends for homework, etc.

from Alicia D to everyone: 6:32 PM

Qs: Will we be addressing relative priority of the different things we're providing input on? Or will the project definitely incorporate all of these things.

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:32 PM

Agreed with Tom G. If Art is a MUST (which I don't know why it would be) minimalist approach

from Tom G to everyone: 6:32 PM

Really appreciate the thoughtful approach. Thank you.

from Teresa Fornia to everyone: 6:32 PM

Maintenance would be a huge factor in this wet, moldy climate.

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:32 PM

+1 to considering cover of seating, not just for rain but lots of tree detritus that falls and collects

from Jessica Johnson (privately): 6:33 PM

I can't post a comment to everyone, but I'd like to add support for the comment about vandalism (per my comment above about drug use back in the park); and mention that we should get as much feedback

from kids as possible. My son has been disagreeing about most of the polls on the play structures.

from Connie (privately): 6:33 PM

Love this priority question. We do not need everything...small to start with.

from Tasha Davy (privately): 6:34 PM

I would also love to see a covered seating area!

from Alicia D to everyone: 6:34 PM

Thank you for answering my question! Art is the lowest priority for me, personally.

from Connie (privately): 6:34 PM Art as function rather than for show.

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:34 PM

Agreed, Alicia D.

from Mark Matthews to everyone: 6:34 PM

nature is art, don't need anything besides the nature

from Teresa Fornia to everyone: 6:34 PM

Play structure with covered areas that stay dry. Fort feel. Roofs on structures. Covered Picnic tables. etc.

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:35 PM

Agreed with private message

from Jessica Johnson (privately): 6:35 PM

That Tibbets play structure is tiny

from Nathan to everyone: 6:35 PM

Covered seating +1

from Tasha Davy (privately): 6:35 PM

I go to this park with my children daily, and we would certainly use it!

from Cory Christensen (privately): 6:35 PM

Agree with private message

from Sally B (privately): 6:35 PM

I think that was a good comment and worth some thought given the cost to maintain.

from Woelke (privately): 6:35 PM

do not agree with private message- would love a playground on squak that is walkable

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:35 PM

Is no play area even an option?! The current park is well loved

from Lisa P (privately): 6:35 PM

agreed nature is art... keep it simple..

from Mary Rogers (privately): 6:36 PM

agreed with private message

from Teresa Fornia to everyone: 6:36 PM

Is it assumed the desire to keep the baseball field? Is there a possible Site D to place the play structure

at the site of the current baseball backstop, with improved drainage, of course.

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:36 PM

Our three older kids are excited to think about a play structure, if it looked natural and was large enough

to provide play opportunity for older kids and teens and had great places to hang out.

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:36 PM

Our family / kids are interest in a play area still. It's been fantastic meeting neighbors there when it

snows, if a play area helped us connect and play closer to home that would be awesome.

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:36 PM

Why is "NO" play area being discussed? The current park is awesome....leave it ALONE

from Mark Matthews to everyone: 6:37 PM

58 year resident of Mt. Kenya Drive. the park has served great for my full life here, don't really know

why anything except drainage needs to be addressed.

from Dan (privately): 6:37 PM

I think something like a BMX pump track has potential as well.

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:37 PM

Hmm. We've lived a stone's throw away for decades...what about a (vVERY) small covered BBQ/picnic

venue?

from Sylvia Greve to everyone: 6:37 PM

I think most important to me is to think about keeping the integrity of the park with its calm feel and old

trees. It would be very sad to see the trees go

from mfpalo (privately): 6:37 PM

I live nearby, there are many new young families near by with small children. I think it is a great idea for

our neighborhood. I'm a senior, but would love to have a place for children to play.

from Tom G to everyone: 6:37 PM

We think a play area would be great. We love this park and believe, done right, a play area could be a valuable addition for the kids in the neighborhood. It's not super convenient to have to drive down to

Tibbets. Neighborhoods should have walk-in parks.

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:37 PM

Why is NO play ground area being discussed???? You have alreeady made up your mind

from Connie (privately): 6:37 PM

Use water as a feature...stream bed play without mud.

from Connie (privately): 6:38 PM

Modest, natural component play ground.

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:38 PM

NO PLAYGROUND, PLEASE! MAKE SURE THIS GOES ON RECORD

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:39 PM

pLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE

from Ann (privately): 6:39 PM No play area is a good option.

from Teresa Fornia to everyone: 6:39 PM

Our family's main concern is the trail access from all sides. We access the park through the cemetary 2-3 times daily and would suggest a path from the culdesac through the cemetary lawn to the North edge of the park.

from Mark Matthews to everyone: 6:39 PM

very minimal play area is preferred by my grandkids

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:39 PM

I have used this park for 40 years

from mkilbou (privately): 6:39 PM

Greatly appreciate those who recognize the value of this as an undeveloped space. There are so few spaces left for people/families/children to engage with nature that has not been developed. That said, managing the drainage issues on the field would be appreciate.. Do not over develop this magical space, please

from Tasha Davy (privately): 6:39 PM

I think a small gathering space could be really sweet in spot A, but definitely not a playground.

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:40 PM

Voting B - our favored area for a number of reasons. Longest evening exposure to sun. Perhaps less tree detritus. Might dry out quicker. Only potential concern is that is a key entry / exit site and a part of the loop that many many many neighbors walk in the park..

from Lisa P (privately): 6:40 PM

Larger structure preferred in C site. Site A should be expanded with a gathering area if anything...an area that wouldn't be bothersome to homes

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:40 PM

NONE....no playground apparatus

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:40 PM

The poll would not let me respond. My first choice is No play area. Second is for choice C

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:40 PM

C is truly a precious area...Leave it alone...you can very low impact enhance ir but very, very low impact.

from Connie (privately): 6:40 PM

B requires a drainage solution. C is bad...out of site of everyone. B can incorporate water into play.

from ameliaj to everyone: 6:40 PM

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from Jeff Watling to everyone: 6:40 PM

Thanks Nicole

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:40 PM There is Tibbets....use that as the playground!

from RyanO (privately): 6:40 PM

sseeing the community gather in this park pre covid it is a much loved space for all ages B is great!

from Teresa Fornia to everyone: 6:41 PM

Will the trail downhill Eastward from the park down to the lower cemetary be maintained? We walk that trail everyday 9 months of the year when it is not too slippery.

from Connie (privately): 6:41 PM

Can the man made slope be made into a play area? Natural climbing...linear play area...seems doable.

from CallasA (privately): 6:41 PM

No play area!

from Scott MacInnes (privately): 6:41 PM

multi-use should be reflected more thoroughly in the program

from Sylvia Greve to everyone: 6:41 PM

I agree Nicole, no play area would be my preference but B might be best for the trees

from Cory Christensen (privately): 6:42 PM

Thanks Thomas!

from Mary Rogers (privately): 6:42 PM

no play area if possible 3 other play areas within a mile. keep our jewel as is

from Helen Cheney (privately): 6:42 PM

We like the park AS IS...I feel like we don't have a voice

from Dan (privately): 6:42 PM

Thumbs up for lower trail maintenance Teresa Fornia.

to Cory Christensen (privately): 6:43 PM

No problem Cory! Sorry the chat only gave you limited options

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:43 PM

The play area should not be the "centerpiece" of the park...the beauty of the park is the simplicity

from Tola Marts (privately): 6:43 PM Who will get the community survey?

from mfpalo (privately): 6:43 PM I think there should be a play area

from CallasA (privately): 6:43 PM

Why do we need to develop this park? It's quiet, well loved and used by many!

from Connie (privately): 6:44 PM

I like the expansion of idea from a play area to some smaller areas.

from Alicia D to everyone: 6:44 PM

I appreciate the attention that our neighborhood park is getting. I would be happy for the park to stay as it is, with improved drainage, or to add a play area. Thanks to all who are planning and taking community feedback!

from CallasA (privately): 6:44 PM

Our park is beautiful as is....

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:44 PM

If we participated tonight will we get an email before the next meeting?

from Jeff Watling to everyone: 6:45 PM

Yes

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:45 PM

Thank you!

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:45 PM

A decent rail from the Cemetery down the hill is long overdue

from Teresa Fornia to everyone: 6:45 PM

Sure wish there was a play area back in 2014 when my kids were little. Now, my teenagers play ultimate frisbee in the field and I walk loops around and around for exercise.

from CallasA (privately): 6:45 PM

I guess the big city of "Issaquah" is moving up the mountain.

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:45 PM

(trail...)

from Tom G to everyone: 6:46 PM

"Done right" for us definitely includes keeping the tranquil - almost magical - feel of this park.

from ameliaj to everyone: 6:46 PM www.issaquahwa.gov/HillsidePlayArea

from mfpalo (privately): 6:46 PM

The park as is, I feel is underutilized. I think the natural play area would be a good addition. In ten years

of walking through the park everyday. I have never seen anyone playing baseball.

from Sally B (privately): 6:46 PM

THANK YOU!!

from Sylvia Greve to everyone: 6:46 PM

I agree Teresa, I love the park as is. It is so peacefull

from Lisa P (privately): 6:46 PM

How about a track/path around the field for those of us who want to get exercise by walking?

from Cory Christensen (privately): 6:47 PM

In the park safety has been an issue in the past. Especially with mothers with children, because of the closed in nature of the park. Older kids doing drugs and drinking another concern. Things have been better in than in the past, but I am concerned some of these new "features" will be a draw for bad things

from Connie (privately): 6:47 PM

Comment

from Tasha Davy (privately): 6:49 PM

Given that this is covid times. This park is one of the very few places that I feel comfortable taking me children to. I am concerned with when you plan to do construction. This truly is a magical place and we hope that construction can be swift and not take our over our sanctuary for too long.

from Mark Matthews to everyone: 6:50 PM where the picnic tables are currently placed

from Teresa Fornia to everyone: 6:50 PM

Could you use the natural slope to build in slides and stairs?

from Nathan to everyone: 6:50 PM

Similar to the slope at the Bellevue city park

from Mark Matthews to everyone: 6:50 PM

the water has been there for 45 years

from Ruth Williams (privately): 6:50 PM

Would a rain garden help?

from Mary Rogers (privately): 6:50 PM

im not trying to just chat with you i cant get on for all

from Katja Magus to everyone: 6:50 PM

We call it the "ball field that time forgot" or the BFTF for short and it is very magical in our lives, we love sitting on the slope and watching the dragonflies in the summer and play frisbee and baseball and read on a blanket since our yard never dries out. thanks for all your hard work, looking forward to the next meeting!

from Dan (privately): 6:52 PM

Well, you maybe should have considered not moving next to a park. Sorry to be a troll.

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:53 PM

+1 to sidewalks on Mt Olympus

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:53 PM

Fully agree with Corey. Sidewalks are the huge issue!

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:53 PM SIDEWALKS still need to be considered!

from Mary Rogers (privately): 6:54 PM

i cant unmute

from CallasA (privately): 6:54 PM

I hav enEVER felt creeped out in our park!

from Jessica Johnson (privately): 6:55 PM

Can I respond to this?

from RyanO (privately): 6:55 PM

so having a place where kids and family gather will make that space less safe?

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:56 PM

Is there a site that others feel is better or worse for these safety concerns? Other than no site at all.

from Dan (privately): 6:56 PM

If more young kids go to the park, fewer adults and older teens will be attracted to go!

from mfpalo (privately): 6:57 PM Yes, please, sidewalks for Mt Olympus!

from Emily Pinneo to everyone: 6:57 PM

Thank you for providing the opportunity for feedback!

from RyanO (privately): 6:58 PM

dont let the few loud voices silence the majority this neighborhood wants a play space

from Nathan to everyone: 6:58 PM

+1 to Emily

from Nicole Pyle to everyone: 6:58 PM

Agreed with Jessica and others. Perhaps resources should be focused on public safely an invested in

sidewalks on a busy through fare.

from Dustin Askins to everyone: 6:58 PM

Thank you 🚯

from Deb Guenther to everyone: 6:58 PM

Thanks for everyone's thoughts!

from Dan (privately): 6:58 PM

Thank you for the opportunity and invite.

from BillandMaryBeth (privately): 6:58 PM

Thank you all

from Lisa P (privately): 6:58 PM

Thank you

from Tom G to everyone: 6:58 PM

Thank you.

from CallasA (privately): 6:58 PM

Thank you